

Report

Report to:	Executive Committee
Date of Meeting:	16 December 2020
Report by:	Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

Subject:	Additional Funding from Scottish Government and Other External Sources
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ♦ advise Members of additional funding that has been made available to the Council by the Scottish Government and other external sources since the last report to this Committee (4 November 2020).

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the additional revenue funding of £5.749m, as detailed at Appendix 1 of the report, be noted.

3. Background

3.1. The Council is periodically advised of additional funding which is made available from the Scottish Government and other sources to enable various initiatives to be undertaken.

3.2. Additional funding may either be paid through the General Revenue Grant mechanism or by the completion of appropriate grant claims.

3.3. Details of the additional funding are attached at Appendix 1 to the report. The report details additional funding that has been reported by Resources as part of the additional resources notification process, as well as any additional funding that has increased the Council's budget by more than £0.100 million.

3.4. As a result of COVID19, the Scottish Government has identified a number of funding streams to assist councils in managing the additional costs related to the crisis. Since the last report to the Committee further funding in relation to COVID19 has been identified and is reflected in Appendix 1. Further funding that has been identified nationally, but where individual allocations have not yet been confirmed to local authorities, will be reflected in a future report to this Committee, including:-

- Additional Mobilisation Funding for Education - based on need (£30m available nationally)
- Free School Meals – funding for school holiday periods (£6.950m available nationally)
- Self-Isolation Support Grant Administration (£0.900m available nationally)
- Discretionary Business Support (£30m available nationally)
- Self-Employed Support (£15m available nationally)

- Local Community and Social Impact (£15m available nationally)
- Administration of Support Packages (£5m available nationally)

4. Employee Implications

4.1. None.

5. Financial Implications

5.1. Additional revenue funding of £5.749 million has been identified for 2020/2021.

5.2. Resource budgets will be updated to reflect this additional funding as required, and where appropriate, details of spending plans will be presented to Resource Committees for approval.

6. Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications

6.1. There are no implications for climate change, sustainability or the environment in terms of the information contained in this report.

7. Other Implications

7.1. There are no other implications in terms of the information contained in this report.

8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

8.1. This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to existing policy, function or strategy and therefore no impact assessment is required.

7.2. There was also no requirement to undertake any consultation in terms of the information contained in this report.

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Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

26 November 2020

Link(s) to Council Objectives/Values

- ◆ Accountable, Effective and Efficient

Previous References

- ◆ Executive Committee, 4 November 2020

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Additional Funding Reports:-
30 September 2020 to 25 November 2020

Contact for Further Information

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:-

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Additional Revenue Funding

Resource	Description	2020 / 2021 £m	Total £m	Method
Finance & Corporate Resources	Local Self-Isolation Support Service	0.141	0.141	Scottish Government Grant
Finance & Corporate Resources	Support for People Teams	0.037	0.037	Scottish Government Grant
Various	Support to Individuals at Financial Risk	1.244	1.244	Scottish Government Grant
Community & Enterprise Resources	Business Closure Hardship Grants	1.390	1.390	Scottish Government Grant
Community & Enterprise Resources	Financial Support Contingency Fund	0.445	0.445	Scottish Government Grant
Community & Enterprise Resources	Employee Furlough Fund	0.622	0.622	Scottish Government Grant
Community & Enterprise Resources	Strategic Framework (Tier) Business Fund	1.870	1.870	Scottish Government Grant
	TOTAL REVENUE FUNDING	5.749	5.749	